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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON:—F. ALGAR, 8, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street. GEORGE STREET, 30, Cornhill. GORDON & GOTH, Ludgate Circus, E.C. BATES, HENDY & Co., 4, Old Jewry, E.C. SAMUEL DRACON & Co., 150 & 154, Leadenhall Street.
NEW YORK:—ANDREW WIND, 133, Nassau Street.
AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND:—GORDON & GOTH, Melbourne and Sydney.
SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports generally:—BEAN & BLACK, San Francisco.
CHINA:—SWATOW, QUELOH & CAMPBELL, Amoy, WILSON, NICHOLS & Co., Foochow, HENDERSON & Co., Shanghai, LAUREN, CRAWFORD & Co., and KELLY & WALSH, Manila, C. HENDERSON & Co., Macao, L. A. DA GRAGA.

BANKS.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, \$5,000,000 Dollars.
RESERVE FUND, 200,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman—E. R. BELLIOS, Esq.
Deputy Chairman—AD. ANDER, Esq.
J. F. COATES, Esq. S. W. POMEROY, Esq.
H. HOFFMANN, Esq. F. D. SASSOON, Esq.
A. MEYER, Esq.

ACT. CHIEF MANAGER.

Hongkong, .. THOMAS JACKSON, Esq. Manager.
Shanghai, .. EWEY CAMERON, Esq.
LONDON BANKERS.—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED

ON Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.
On Fixed Deposits:—
For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.
Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Acting Chief Manager.
Offices of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East.
Hongkong, November 2, 1876.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

MR. FERDINAND NISSEN has been compelled to retire from our Firm in consequence of failing health, and his interest and responsibility ceased on the 31st December last.
MR. NICHOLAS AUGUST STEIN has been authorized to sign for us by Procuration.
We have this day reopened a branch of our Firm at Canton.

SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, January 1, 1877. ap2

NOTICE.

MR. LUDWIG STEINMUND LUTKENS is authorized to sign our Firm per Procuration.
W. PUSTAU & Co.
Hongkong, January 1, 1877. fe2

NOTICE.

MR. WILHELM CARL ENGELBRECHT VON PUSTAU, Junr., is authorized to sign our Firm.
W. PUSTAU & Co.
Hongkong, December 23, 1876. fe1

NOTICE.

THE BUSINESS of the Undersigned will henceforth be carried on under the Name or Style of H. KLER & Co.
H. KLER.
Hongkong, January 1, 1877. fe2

THE Interest and Responsibility in our Firm of the late Mr. J. C. KRUSE ceased with his death at Yokohama on the 27th of August last, and the Business will be carried on as heretofore and under the same Style and Firm by our Mr. H. KUHLMANN.
MR. RICHARD SCHENBERGER has been authorized to sign the Firm.
KRUSE & Co.
Hongkong, January 1, 1877. fe2

NOTICE.

MR. H. C. ERDMANN has been admitted as a Partner in our Firm, and Mr. ALFRED HUBB has been authorized to sign for us per Procuration.
CARLOWITZ & Co.
Hongkong, January 1, 1877. fe2

VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

ON and after the 16th day of November, 1876, and until further notice, the BUSINESS of the above-named DISPENSARY will be carried on by the Undersigned.
WM. CRUICKSHANK, Manager.
Hongkong, November 21, 1876.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE Partnership hitherto existing between the Undersigned under the Firm of G. RAYNAL & Co. at this Port, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent.
GUSTAV RAYNAL, OAKL MILLSCH.
Macao, January 1, 1877. fe2

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of VISCOUNT DO CERAL in our Firm ceased from the 1st April 1876.
A. A. DE MELLO & Co.
Macao, January 1, 1877. fe3

I HAVE this day Established myself at this Port under my own name as GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT.
O. KEES.
Canton, January 9, 1877. fe9

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of the late MR. ALFRED HUTCHINSON in our Firm Ceased on the 26th February 1876.
DEACON & Co.
Canton, January 1, 1877. fe2

NOTICE.

THE Partnership hitherto existing between the Undersigned under the name of MESTERN & HULSE has this day been dissolved by lapse of time, and the signature of the Firm will henceforth be used for the Liquidation only.
O. J. MESTERN, W. HULSE.
Canton, December 31, 1876. ap2

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. CHARLES BEWICK QUELOH in our Firm Ceased on the 30th September, 1876. The Business will be Continued under the Style of CAMPBELL & Co.
QUELOH & CAMPBELL.
Swatow, January 1, 1877. fe2

NOTICE.

THE Firm of J. D. MEYER & FEHRS will from this Date be carried on as heretofore under the Style of J. D. MEYER & Co.
Swatow, January 1, 1877. fe2

NOTICE.

MR. H. EBELL has This Day been admitted a PARTNER in my Firm at SWATOW and HOIHOW, which in future will be carried on under the Name or Style of "HERTON, EBELL & Co."
EDWARD HERTON.
Swatow-Hoihow, January 1, 1877. fe19

Intimations.

HONGKONG.

Chs. J. GAUPP & Co.,
WATCHMAKERS & JEWELLERS,
38, Queen's Road,
NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS,
CHRONOMETERS,
&c., &c., &c.,
Carefully Repaired, Cleaned and accurately rated under guarantee.

All Repairs in the above line done at reasonable rates and with despatch.
Hongkong, May 1, 1876. tf.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Eighth Ordinary MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Company's Office, 38, Queen's Road, Victoria, at 2 o'clock in the Afternoon of FRIDAY, the 16th February next, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the Year ending 31st December, 1876.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 3rd to the 16th February, both days inclusive.
By Order, JAS. B. COUGHTRIE, Secretary.
Hongkong, January 19, 1877. fe16

MACAO HOTEL,
PRAYA GRANDE, MACAO.

ON the 20th Instant, a First Class HOTEL will be OPENED, under the above title, in Spacious, Commodious, and well-furnished Premises on the Praya Grande.

Every attention will be paid to the comfort of Visitors.
Wines, Spirits and Estates of the best quality only supplied. Terms moderate.
J. P. DE CAMPOS, Proprietor.
Macao, January 8, 1877.

Intimations.

MacEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.

ARE NOW LANDING AN INVOICE OF

ROUYER GUILLET & Co.'s CELEBRATED BRANDY.

This BRANDY is well known in England, the Colonies, and India. The Firm possess Six Vineyards and Six Distilleries, and are amongst the largest shippers from Charente.

Qualities One *, Two **, Three ***, and Four ****, in Cases of One Dozen Quarts.

Also,

POMMERY & GRENOS

"Extra Sec." CHAMPAGNE,

in Quarts and Pints,

As supplied to the principal London Clubs.

Hongkong, January 5, 1877. [ap5]

THE MEDICAL HALL,

37, Queen's Road, Hongkong.
ESTABLISHED 1853.
TH. KOFFER, Proprietor.
Hongkong, April 23, 1876. ap23

W. BALL, CHINA DISPENSARY.

IMPORTER OF DRUGS, CHEMICALS, DRUGGISTS' Sundries, TOILET REQUISITES, PATENT MEDICINES AND PERFUMES.

Prescriptions Dispensed with Carefulness, and Prompt Attention.

PRAYA WEST, HONGKONG,
Near the Canton Steamer's Wharf.
Hongkong, July 13, 1876.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Eighth Ordinary Annual MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 7, Queen's Road, on TUESDAY, the 20th February next, at Three o'clock in the Afternoon, to receive a Statement of Accounts for the Year 1876, the Report of the General Managers, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited.
Hongkong, January 20, 1877. fe20

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 6th to the 20th February next, both days included.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited.
Hongkong, January 20, 1877. fe20

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Twenty-first Ordinary Half-yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the CRY HALL, Victoria, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 25th January instant, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of the Accounts, and electing Auditors.

By Order of the Board of Directors, P. A. DA COSTA, Secretary.
Hongkong, January 2, 1877. ja25

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 11th to the 25th Instant, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board of Directors, P. A. DA COSTA, Secretary.
Hongkong, January 2, 1877. ja25

P. F. DA SILVA, GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT, TAIPEI AND TAIWAN.
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Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR LONDON:
The Steamship "GLENROY,"
A. TAYLOR, Commander, will be despatched as above on or about the 10th Proximo.
For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, January 19, 1877.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.
The Company's Steamship "TANAIS,"
Comdt. REYNIER, will be despatched for YOKOHAMA shortly after the arrival of the next French Mail.
H. DU POUY, Agent.
Hongkong, January 19, 1877.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.
The Company's Steamship "AMAZON,"
Comdt. BAULE, will be despatched for SHANGHAI shortly after her arrival from Europe.
H. DU POUY, Agent.
Hongkong, January 19, 1877.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The A 1 American Barque "ANTIOCH,"
THOMAS MERRILL, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have early despatch.

FOR NEW YORK.

The A 1 British Clipper Barque "UNANIMA,"
CALM, Master, will load here and at Whampoa for the above Port, and meet with early despatch.

FOR NEW YORK.

The A 1 American Bark "CEYLON,"
KELLY, Master, will load here and at Whampoa for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The American Ship "SUMATRA,"
Captain CROUCH, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

FOR NEW YORK.

The A 1 American Ship "CUTWATER,"
CHELMAN, Master, will load here and will have quick despatch as above.

FOR LONDON.

The 3/3 L. 1. 1. Russian Ship "VANADIS,"
WELAND, Master, will load here and have quick despatch as above.

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Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from M. S. TONNOCHY, Esq., to sell by Public Auction, on

FRIDAY,

the 26th day of January, 1877, at 2 p.m., at Brook Cottage, Caine Road,—

The whole of his English and Colonial made Household FURNITURE, comprising: Drawing, Dining and Bedroom Suites, Carved Book Case, Pier Glasses, Engravings, Marble-top Dressing Table and Washstand, Marble-top Tea-cy, Plated-ware, Cutlery, Glass-ware, Dinner, Dessert and Breakfast Sets; A Collection of Books, Japanese and Chinese Porcelain and Lacquered-ware, Ningho Carvings, A Large Collection of Flowering and Other Plants.

An AVIARY and One Large TENT. Catalogues will be issued, and the whole to be on view on and after Thursday, the 26th Instant.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, January 19, 1877. ja26

PUBLIC AUCTION.

SUBSTANTIAL ENGLISH & CANTON-MADE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, ENGRAVINGS, GLASS-WARE, PLATED-WARE, &c., &c., &c.

ONE BILLIARD TABLE, WITH BALLS, CUES, &c., COMPLETE.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from Messrs HEARD & Co., to sell by Public Auction, on

TUESDAY,

the 30th day of January, 1877, at 2 p.m., at their Residence, Caine Road,—

The whole of their Substantial Household FURNITURE, etc., comprising: Drawing, Dining and Bed Room Suites, Marble-top Tables, Sofas, Easy Chairs, Chairs, Pier Glasses, Carpets, Hearth Rugs, Side Board, Whatnots, Marble-mounted Clocks, Davenport, Gasaliers and Gas Brackets, Iron Bedsteads, Wardrobes, Chest of Drawers, Marble-top Toilet Tables and Washstands, Glass-ware, Plated-ware, Crockery, etc., etc. Catalogues will be issued, and the whole to be on view on and after Monday, the 29th Instant.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash on the fall of the hammer in Mexican Dollars at 7.1.7. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, Jan. 19, 1877. ja30

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from H. M. Naval Store-keeper, to sell by Public Auction, on

WEDNESDAY,

the 31st January, 1877, at 11 o'clock a.m., at H. M. NAVAL YARD,—

SUNDRY NAVAL AND VICTUAL-LING STORES, comprising: Old Iron, Lignum-vita, Woolen Rags, Old Carpet, Offal Wood, Old Casks and Cases, Biscuit and Biscuit Dust, Chocolate, Flour, Biscuit Bags, Blue Cloth, Blue Serge, Stockings, Shirts, Handkerchiefs, Implements, &c., &c., &c.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Government Auctioneer.

Hongkong, January 18, 1877. ja31

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

SATURDAY,

the 3rd February, 1877, at 2 o'clock p.m., at No. 34, Hollywood Road,—

SUNDRY HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, comprising: English Rosewood Red Rep Covered Drawing-room Suit, Dining and Bed-room Suites, Pier Glasses, Brussels Carpets, Curtains, Chandeliers, Hearth-rugs, Engravings, Dinner, Dessert and Breakfast Sets, Glass, and Plated-ware, Vases, Clocks, and One Piano. Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, January 22, 1877. fe3

Intimations.

NEARLY READY.

A CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE CANTONESE DIALECT. Part I, A to K, with Introduction. Royal 8vo, pp. 202.—By **ERNEST JOHN EYER**, Ph.D. Tubingen.
Price, Two Dollars and a Half.
To be had from Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong and Shanghai; and Messrs KELLY & WALSH, Shanghai.
Hongkong, January 22, 1877.

EXPOSITION UNIVERSELLE DE 1878.

THE CONSUL FOR FRANCE has the honour to inform those Persons who wish to take part in the intended Exhibition, that they will find at the Consulate all Information and Particulars they may require.

For the Consul,
G. BOULOUZE, Vice-Consul.
Hongkong, December 18, 1876.

AFONG,

PHOTOGRAPHER,

by appointment, to

H. E. SIR ARTHUR KENNEDY,
GOVERNOR OF HONGKONG;
and to

H. I. H. THE GRAND DUKE ALEXIS OF RUSSIA,
Wynham Street, formerly ATHLETIC CLUB.

HAS on hand the Largest and Best collection of Views of China, Photographs Albums, Frames, Cases, &c., of assorted sizes, Photographs enlarged from O. D. V. size to life size and coloured in oil. A new apparatus for Photography has been received from England; he is prepared to take Photos. of Buildings and Interiors at the shortest distance.
Hongkong, July 17, 1876.

AH YON,

SHIPS' COMPRADORE AND STEVEDORE,

No. 57, Praya West.

SHIPPING SUPPLIED WITH ALL KINDS OF COAL, WATER, BALLAST, FRESH PROVISIONS & OILMAN'S STORES.

Of the best quality and at the shortest notice.
Hongkong, May 1, 1876.

TUBORG FABRIKER DANISH BEER.

To be had from
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong, January 16, 1877. fcl2

Notices to Consignees

GERMAN STEAMER CASSANDRA,
LANE, Master, FROM HAMBURG
via SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Godowns of the Undersigned, from whence delivery may be obtained.

Consignees wishing to take delivery of their Goods from the Boats alongside the Wharf are at liberty to do so.
Goods remaining in store after the 24th instant will be subject to rent.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary is given until Noon To-day.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
WM. PUSTAU & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, January 17, 1877. ja24

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. Glenroy having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk by the Undersigned, into their Godowns, whence and or from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be sent on to Shanghai, unless notice to the contrary is given before 4 p.m. To-day.
Goods remaining in Godown after the 24th instant will be subject to rent.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents S. S. Glenroy.
Hongkong, January 18, 1877. ja25

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s S. S. LOMBARDY.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel, from Bombay and intermediate Ports, and in connection with the **BURKHAHA** and **AMBESI**, from London, are hereby notified that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Company's Godowns, at West Point, whence delivery can be obtained from this date.

Goods not delivered by the 27th instant will be subject to rent.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded by the following Steamer, unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon To-morrow.

A. McIVER,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, January 20, 1877. ja27

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SAIGON.

The French Steamer
"FRANCOIS I."
Captain **LECAHEUX**, will be despatched for the above Port on or about the 30th instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
AH YON,
Praya, No. 57.
Hongkong, January 23, 1877.

To-day's Advertisements.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on
THURSDAY,
the 26th January, 1877, at the Residence of **E. LILLEY, Esq., No. 1, Stanley Street,** at 2 p.m., the whole of his **HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.**

Also,
A Splendid COTTAGE PIANO,
by **FRYER.**
See Catalogues.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All lots, with all faults and errors of description, at Purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. GUEDES, Jr., Auctioneer.
Hongkong, January 23, 1877. ja25

GENERAL WEEKLY SALE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, in their Sale Room, Praya Central, on
FRIDAY,
the 26th January, 1877, at Noon,—

An Invoice of **JOHN GOSNELL & Co.'s** PERFUMERY, comprising: Cut Glass Toilet Bottles with Assorted Scent, Ess Bouquet, Jockey Club, Lavender Water, Cologne Water, Toilet and Shaving Soaps, Marking Ink, Hair Brushes, Cloth and Hat Brushes, Violet Powder, Toilet Vinegar, Hair Dye.

50 cases Gin, Cock mark.
100 Gross Flaming Fuses,
4 cases Safety Matches.
10 tins Carriage Varnish.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars, weighed at 7.1.7. The Lot or Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.
Hongkong, January 23, 1877. ja28

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

VESTA, German barque, Capt. R. Dirks.—Melchers & Co.
MADAME DEMOREST, British barque, Captain C. H. Bessit.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

BEETHOVEN, German barque, Captain R. Haje.—Melchers & Co.
BRIDGETOWN, British barque, Captain E. W. Crisp.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

FLYING CLOUD, British barque, Captain H. Williams.—Turner & Co.
IERNE, German schooner, Captain O. Hansen.—Carlowitz & Co.

HANTS COUNTY, British barque, Captain G. W. Cochran.—Mayer & Co.
CEYLON, American bark, Capt. E. Kelly.
STAR OF CHINA, British ship, Captain E. B. Blaker.—Douglas LaPraik & Co.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Jan. 23, *Diomed*, British steamer, 1240, Jackson, Shanghai Jan. 17, and Foochow 20, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

DEPARTURES.

Jan. 23, *Achilles*, for Shanghai.
23, *Amoy*, for Ningpo and Shanghai.

CLEARED.

Formosa, for Keelung.
Norma, for Swatow.
Douglas, for Coast Ports.
Killarney, for Saigon.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.
For *Diomed*, from Shanghai, &c.: for Hongkong, Mr. A. Rothwell and 23 Chinese. For London, Mr. W. G. Stronach and child.

DEPARTED.
Per *Amoy*, for Saigon, 30 Chinese.
TO DEPART.
Per *Douglas*, for Coast Ports, 4 Europeans, and 123 Chinese.
Per *Killarney*, for Saigon, 12 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Diomed* reports: Had moderate monsoon and fine weather all the passage.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS will close:—

For **TOURON.**
Per Schooner *IRENE*, at 11.30 a.m. To-morrow, the 24th inst.

For **MANILA.**
Per *CASSANDRA*, at 1.30 p.m. To-morrow, the 24th inst., instead of as previously notified.

For **STRAITS SETTLEMENTS, SUEZ, AND LONDON.**
Per *ALTONA*, at 1.30 p.m., on Wednesday, the 24th inst., instead of as previously notified.

For **SINGAPORE, SUEZ & LONDON.**
Per *DIOMED*, at 3.30 p.m. To-morrow, the 24th inst.—Will carry the Torres Straits Mails as previously notified.

For **SAIGON.**
Per Barque *MARQUIS OF ARGYLL*, at 4 p.m. To-morrow, the 24th inst.

For **MANILA.**
Per Brig *SAN LORENZO*, at 3.30 p.m., on Thursday, the 26th inst.

For **BANGKOK.**
Per Barque *FLYING CLOUD*, at 3 p.m., on Thursday, the 26th inst.

Per *RAJANATTIANUHA*, at 5 p.m., on Tuesday, the 30th inst.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS will close:—

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.

The French Contract Packet *MEIKONG*, will be despatched on **THURSDAY**, the 26th instant, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, via *Marseilles*; to Saigon, Singapore, Batavia, Gallo, Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, Fiji, Aden, Seychelles, Réunion, Mauritius, Suez, and Alexandria.

Letters may also be forwarded to India by this Packet, but can be paid only as far as Ceylon. The postage to Ceylon must be prepaid. Such letters should be marked *paid to India only*; they will go on from Galle as unpaid. The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c.:—

Wednesday, 24th Inst.
5 p.m., Money Order Office closes. Post Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night.

Thursday, 25th Inst.
7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m., Registry of Letters ceases.
11 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late Letters.

11.10 a.m., Letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom, Saigon, or Singapore may be posted on payment of a Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage, until

11.30 a.m., when the Post Office Closes entirely.
Hongkong, January 11, 1877. ja26

MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET.

The English Contract Packet *KHIVA*, will be despatched with the Mails for Europe, &c., on **THURSDAY**, the 1st February.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c.:—

Wednesday, 31st Inst.
5 p.m., Money Order Office closes.
6 p.m., Post Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night.

Thursday, 1st Inst.
7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late Letters. Registry of Letters ceases.

10.15 a.m., Letters may be posted with Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage till

11 a.m., when the Post Office Closes entirely.

11.30 a.m., Letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom, via *Brindisi* or to Singapore may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage, till

11.50 a.m., when the Mail is finally closed.
Hongkong, January 23, 1877. fcl

THE S. S. GAELIC, will be despatched on **THURSDAY**, the 1st February, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, the United States and London, which will be closed as follows:—

2 p.m., Registry of Letters ceases.
2.30 p.m., Post Office closes.

2.30 p.m., Correspondence may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 12 cents extra postage until

2.50 p.m., when the Mail is finally closed. Correspondence must be specially directed for this route, and if not fully prepaid will be sent by British Packet.

Letters, &c., can be posted for Canada, the West Indies, and other places named below, if sufficient American Stamps are added to prepay them from San Francisco to destination. American Stamps are sold at this Office.

General Post Office.
Hongkong, January 16, 1877. fcl

Shipping Intelligence.

SOME SHIPPING.

The following is taken from the latest London Papers:—

DEPARTURES.
June 9, *Aurora*, from Richmond, U. S. to Hongkong.
Sept. 1, *Bertha*, from Hamburg to Hongkong.
Sept. 8, *McNear*, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
Sept. 14, *Tyburnia*, from London to Hongkong.
Sept. 16, *Sarah Nicholson*, from London to Hongkong.
Sept. 16, *Western Belle*, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
Sept. 17, *Palatine*, from London to Hongkong.
Sept. 18, *A. T. Stalnescht*, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
Sept. 23, *Agnes Muir*, from London to Hongkong.
Oct. 3, *Bulls of Oregon*, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
Oct. 6, *Waga*, from Hamburg to Chefoo.
Oct. 8, *Morganshire*, from London to Hongkong.
Oct. 12, *Omba*, from London to Hongkong.
Oct. 14, *Sir Harry Parker*, from London to Hongkong.
Nov. 12, *Lima*, from London to Hongkong.
Nov. 13, *Rurik*, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
Nov. 16, *Hydra*, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
Nov. 16, *Benarty* (str.), from Glasgow to China and Japan, via London.
Nov. 17, *Eliza Shaw*, from London to Shanghai.
Nov. 21, *America*, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
Nov. 23, *Western Chief*, from London to Hongkong.
Nov. 23, *Madura*, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
Nov. 23, *Hannah Law*, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
Nov. 23, *New Era*, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
Dec. 4, *Bancinta*, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
Dec. 7, *Galley of Lorne* (str.), from London to China and Japan.
Dec. 7, *Stentor* (str.), from Liverpool to Shanghai.

LOADING FOR CHINA AND JAPAN PORTS.
At London.—Steamer *via Suez* *Chishik* Benary.
Calcutta.—*Maogfogon*.
Cypreus.

Sailing Yachts.
Odricks.—*Windhover*.
Chisman.—*Albert Victor*.
Rope.—*O. R. Bishop*.
Antwerp.—*At Liverpool*.
Patricius (str.).—*Ulysses* (str.).
At Glasgow.—*Liquidin Castle* (str.).

General Memoranda.

THURSDAY, January 25:—

Noon.—French Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.

2 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of the H. C. & M. Steamboat Co., Limited, at City Hall.

2 p.m.—Sale of Household Furniture, at No. 1, Stanley Street.

Goods per *Glenroy* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

FRIDAY, January 26:—
Noon.—General Weekly Sale by Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

2 p.m.—Furniture Sale, at Brook Cottage, Cairne Road.

SATURDAY, January 27:—
Goods per *Lombardy* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

TUESDAY, January 30:—
2 p.m.—Sale of Household Furniture, at the residence of Messrs Heard & Co., Cairne Road.

4 p.m.—*Francois I.* leaves for Saigon on or about this date.

WEDNESDAY, January 31:—
11 a.m.—Sale of Sundries at Govt. Store.

THURSDAY, February 1:—
Noon.—English Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.

3 p.m.—Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

SATURDAY, February 3:—
2 p.m.—Sale of Household Furniture, at No. 34, Hollywood Road.

Transfer Books of The China Fire Insurance Co., Limited, closed from this date to 16th February, inclusive.

TUESDAY, February 6:—
Transfer Books of The H. K. Fire Insurance Co., Limited, closed from this date to 20th February, inclusive.

SATURDAY, February 10:—
Glenroy leaves for London on or about this date.

THURSDAY, February 15:—
3 p.m.—American Mail leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

FRIDAY, February 16:—
2 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of The China Fire Insurance Co., Limited, at No. 39, Queen's Road.

TUESDAY, February 20:—
3 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of The Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited, at No. 7, Queen's Road.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

Daylight.—*Douglas* leaves for Swatow, Amoy and Foochow.

2 p.m.—*Altona* leaves for London.

Goods per *Cassandra* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

Tenders Close.

11 a.m.—Tenders for Treasury Bills received by the Assistant Commissary General.

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The Manufactory is under direct and continuous European Supervision.
Hongkong, June 1, 1876.

The publication of this issue commenced at 7.15 p.m.

DEATH.

At Pagoda Anchorage, Foochow, on the 18th instant, **MARIE ELIZABETH**, (de Rust de Lavison) the beloved Wife of Prosper Giquel, aged 29 years.

THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, JAN. 23, 1877.

We have been favoured with a view of the original address recently presented to Mr David B. Sikes by the King of Siam, on the former assuming the duties of American Consul at Bangkok. This address is in every respect a curiosity. It is written or rather painted, in both Siamese and English, on a thick, coarse, kind of paper, coloured a dull black, the writing being white. The writing scarcely occupies one fourth of the paper, which is about four yards long and one foot wide, and folded up together like a side of the bellows of an accordion. There are no attempts whatever at ornamentation. Altogether the address looks a rather melancholy affair, but whether black is the correct colour for such documents according to the usage at his Majesty's Court, or whether his Majesty is in mourning, we are unable to say. The Consul is reported by the Bangkok paper to have received the address in a "dignified manner." Mr Sikes has evidently a good command of his countenance, for it must have been intensely amusing to be solemnly presented with such a primitive, singular and dingy-looking document. In the wording, however, the address is sensible enough. The English translation of it reads as follows:—"The President of the United States of America

has given his seal appointing Daniel B. Sikes, Consul to Siam, for the purpose of preserving the treaty relations, and adding to the mutual prosperity of both nations. We take great pleasure in acknowledging the action of the President in thus appointing David B. Sikes to the office of Consul to Siam according to the articles of the treaty. Let the Princes and Nobles of Siam, and our Government officers ever show that respect for the Consul which is due to his rank according to the treaty. When there are matters of importance to be settled, let the Consul and our Government confer together, that they may be settled amicably and according to the principle of justice and equity, and let both parties endeavour to preserve the treaty relations that they may be of long continuance. And may that Power which is great in the universe preserve the Consul, and give him continued health and happiness." The words in italics are underlined in the original.

The Japanese Government has just taken a very praiseworthy, and it is to be hoped, effective step to lessen the burdens of its agricultural subjects, and reduce the country to a more settled state. On the 4th instant an imperial decree was issued, in the course of which it was stated that almost immediately after the Restoration duties of a novel nature and many needful improvements were undertaken by the Government both at home and abroad which necessarily greatly increased the national expenditure. "The burden of this fell upon the people and was hard to be borne, for which reason We ordered that the mode of taxation should be re-modelled and settled at 3 per cent on the value of the land, thinking thus to afford relief to Our people. But having recently visited various parts of Our dominions, We have carefully observed the agricultural population, and sympathizing with their condition, have determined to still further reduce the land-tax to 2½ per cent on the value of the land. We therefore order all officials to act in accordance with Our will, and to be as economical as possible in the public expenditure." This decree was immediately followed by a notification from the Prime Minister, stating that the Mikado having decreed that the land-tax should be reduced, and that as much economy as possible should be observed in the expenditure, it was now also declared that the tax for local purposes to be levied upon the people must not exceed one-fifth of the amount of the land-tax. It is calculated that these measures will relieve the land of annual burdens amounting in all to about 16,000,000 yen—8,000,000 of land-tax, and a similar amount of taxation for local purposes. To meet this serious loss to the national revenue reductions are to be made in the annual expenditure of the various Government Departments, amounting in all to 6,832,312 yen. Two Departments—Religion and Police—are to be absolutely abolished, their business being transferred to the Home Department. Reductions are also to be made in other directions, notably in the salaries of Government officials. The Government has now done all that it can do for the farmers, who ought to be satisfied. Doubtless the step will interfere with the progress of public works, but for all that it is a move in the right direction, and shows that the Government has the welfare of the country so much at heart that it does not hesitate to sacrifice its own interest for those of the people—which cannot be said of some Governments far more advanced in the path of civilisation.

The commercial prospects of Saigon appear to be a little brighter after all than those of some parts of the Far East. The exports of rice during the year are said to have aggregated 5,467,462 piculs, the value being 88,545,000 francs. Over 200 English vessels entered the port; 99 French; 28 German; 22 Danish; 18 Dutch; and a few of other nationalities. During the first half of 1876, 169 steamers and 53 sailing vessels left the port with 3,000,000 piculs of rice for Hongkong, and 4,500,000 piculs for other ports, the average freight being 16 cents per picul. The total operations of the Banque de l'Indo-Chine for the year amounted to \$8,845,148. A special Asiatic Immigration Office has been established at Saigon since 1874, and in 1875, over 10,000 immigrants arrived in the Colony. During the first half of 1876 nearly 6,000 arrived, and the total number at present in Cochinchina is estimated at 40,000. Elementary schools for teaching French have been opened in each *chiffre* at the present time they number nineteen. A college for young Annamites from the elementary schools has also been established at Saigon and now numbers 140 students. There are also several other educational establishments directed by missionaries and others. Fifty-six Annamite professors are attached to the elementary schools and Annamite college at Saigon.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The *Himalaya*, teopship, was at Point de Galle on 18th instant.

22nd Jan. 1877.

Exchange.		
Bank, on demand,	4 1/2	
" 30 days' sight,	4 1/8	
" 6 months' sight,	4 3/8	
Credits,	4 3/8	
Documentary, 6 months' sight,	4 3/8	
Bombay,	22 1/2	
Calcutta,	22 1/2	
Shanghai, demand,	74	
" 30 days,	75	
Bar Silver, 17, dwts. E.,	8	
Mexicans,	24	pas
Gold Leaf,	24.55	
English Sovereigns,	4.70	
Australian Sovereigns,	4.70	
	10.4	

Disboursing 10 25 25

Shanghai.

Hongkong Bank, 28
H.K. Fire Ins. Co., \$575
China Fire Ins. Co., \$163
China Traders' Ins. Co., \$1800
Union Ins. Society of Canton, \$620
Chinese Insurance Co., \$200
North China Ins. Co., Tm. 875
Yangtze Ins. Association, Tia. 640
S.K. & W. Dock Co., 47 1/2 dia.
E.K. O. & M. S.-boat Co., \$15 dia.
Shanghai Steam N. Co., Tia. 85 ea div.
Hongkong Hotel Co., \$52 1/2 dia.
Chinese Imperial Loan, £96

Temperature.

*Taken at Messrs. Ballou's & Co.'s Premises
(Queen's Road.)*

Hongkong, Jan. 23, 1877.

BAROMETER—	9 A.M.	80.816
Do.	1 P.M.	80.212
Do.	4 P.M.	80.212
Thermometer—	9 A.M.	68 1/2
Do.	1 P.M.	68
Do.	4 P.M.	68
Do. (Wet bulb)	9 A.M.	64
Do.	Do. 1 P.M.	66
Do.	Do. 4 P.M.	66 1/2
Do.	Maximum	69
Do.	Minimum over night,	65

Mails.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANÇAIS.

STREAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ,
ISMAILA, PORT SAID, NAPLES,
AND MARSEILLES;

ALSO,
MAHE, BOMBAY, ST. DENIS, AND
PORT LOUIS.

ON THURSDAY, the 26th January, 1877, at Noon, the Company's S. S. *MEIKONG*, Commandant ROACHE, with MALES, PASSENGERS, SPECIES, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping orders will be granted till noon. Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 24th January, 1877. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

H. DU POUEY,
Agent.
Hongkong, January 18, 1877. ja25



STREAM FOR
Singapore, Penang, Point de Galle,
Aden, Suez, Malta, Brindisi,
Ancona, Venice, Mediter-
ranean Ports, Southampton
and London;

ALSO,
Bombay, Madras and Calcutta.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship
KHIVA, Captain LEW, will leave
this on THURSDAY, the 1st February,
at Noon.

For further particulars, apply to
A. MEYER, Superintendent.
Hongkong, January 22, 1877. fcl

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PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED
STATES AND EUROPE,
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AND
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THE S. S. "*GALLIC*" will be de-
parted for San Francisco, via Yokohama,
on THURSDAY, the 1st February,
at 3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers
for Japan, the United States and Europe.

Connection is made at Yokohama, with
Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until
4 p.m. of 31st Instant. Parcel Packages
will be received at the Office until 5 p.m.
same day: all Parcel Packages should be
marked to address in full; value of same
is required.

Return Passage Tickets available for 6
months are issued at a reduction of 20 per
cent. on regular rates.

For further information as to Freight or
Passage, apply to the Agency of the
Company, No. 16, Praya Central.

G. B. EMORY, Agent.
Hongkong, January 2, 1877. fcl

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, AND
OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING
AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamer *CITY OF PEKING*, will be dispatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on THURSDAY, the 15th February, 1877, at 3 p.m., taking Passengers, and Freight, for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Passenger Tickets and Bills of Lading are issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, and to New York and Europe via OVERLAND RAILWAYS.

A Steamer of the Mitsui Bussan S. S. Company will leave Shanghai, via the Inland Sea Ports, about same date, and make close connection at Yokohama.

At New York, Passengers have selection of various lines of Steamers to England, France and Germany.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m. 14th Proximo. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 16, Praya Central.

G. B. EMORY, Agent.
Hongkong, January 18, 1877. fcl3

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(In English and Chinese.)

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JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

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THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on Cash in Warehouse, on Goods on Board Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be received, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on first class Lives up to \$1000 on a Single Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or any other information, apply to
ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co.
Agents Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

MELOHRS & Co.,
Agents, Royal Insurance Company.

Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED.)

NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates of Marine Risks to all parts of the World. In accordance with the Company's Articles of Association, Two Thirds of the Profits are distributed annually to Contributors, whether Shareholders or not, in proportion to the net amount of Profits contributed by each, the remaining third being carried to Reserve Fund.

OLYPHANT & Co.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, April 17, 1873.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE to the extent of \$45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein, at current local rates, subject to a Discount of 20% on the Premium.

NORTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

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CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Under and, AGENTS at Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, to the extent of £10,000 on any Building, or on Merchandise in the same, at the usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20 per cent.

GILMAN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER

of

His Majesty King George The First, A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—
Marine Department.

Policies at current rates payable either here, in London or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.

Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

Life Department.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding £5,000 on reasonable terms.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Hongkong, July 25, 1874.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned Agents are in receipt of Instructions from the Board of Directors authorizing them to issue Policies to the extent of £10,000 on any one first class risk, or to the extent of £15,000 on adjoining risks at current rates.

A Discount of 20% allowed.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Hongkong, January 8, 1876.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Fookchow, Shanghai and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Hongkong, October 14, 1876.

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Brands of WINES and SPIRITS.
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Hongkong, June 22, 1876.

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Hongkong, October 27, 1876. ja27

Intimations.

THE HONGKONG CHINESE MAIL.

THE Circulation of THIS PAPER has been very much extended. The following are some of its Agents:—

Macao.—Man Chuen Shop.

Canton.—Sing Chuen Native Post Office, Luen Hing Street; Ohui Heng Low Hotel, Luen Hing Street; Kwong Tin Fat Shop, Yan Tai Street; Mr Sit Chuen Fan, Tung Wen Kwan; Yuen Fong Shop, in front of the Provincial Treasurer's Yamen; How Yuen Shop, Small Market Street, New City; Yee Cheung Photograph Shop, Honam; Kwai Heng Shop, Sin Cheong, Honam.

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Amoy.—Chin Cheong Hong, Mook Kak Street.

Fookchow.—Mr Yu Ching Cheong, Fookchow Arsenal; Mr Lam Kwok Ching, Maritime Customs.

Shanghai.—Mr Ng Ching Shun, Maritime Customs; Mr Ho Yue Chuen, Maritime Customs; Mr Ohn Sing Hoi, Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co.; Mr Kwong Chuen Fook, Educational Mission School; and Mow Sing Sang Kee shop.

Ningbo.—Mr Sung Min Chee, Maritime Customs.

Hankow.—Yee Hing Hong.

Chifu.—Yee Shun Hong.

Japan.—Mr Leong Chun Tong, Municipal Office, Yokohama.

Saigon.—Wohang Hong.

Singapore.—Ting Kee Hong; Kwong Fook Sang Hong.

Penang.—Yow Wing Fong; Argus Office.

Calcutta.—Mow Sing Company.

San Francisco.—Kwong Fook Tai Hong.

The above are some of the Agencies; others will be published, when they are arranged for. Negotiations are in progress with the express couriers who carry the official despatches, and *Peking Gazette*, to circulate the *Chinese Mail* in the interior of China.

Hongkong, March 10, 1874.

Intimations.

MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, PENANG.

THE Municipal Commissioners of Penang are desirous of receiving DESIGNS for a TOWN-HALL. This Building is to be erected on the ground on the east side of the Esplanade situate between the latter and Duke Street, and its cost is not to exceed \$30,000.

The Commissioners offer a PREMIUM of \$400 for the best and most suitable Design with Specifications; and competitors have the option of forwarding Tenders for carrying out the work.

The Designs, accompanied with all documents, are to be sent to the Municipal Office of Penang on or before the 1st of March next.

For further information apply to the Secretary to the Municipal Commissioners at Penang.

D. C. PRESGRAVE,
Municipal Secretary.

Penang,
Municipal Office,
The 21st September, 1876.

NOTICE.

THE CHINESE MAIL.

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